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International Seminar on Clean and Capable India
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Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether an International Seminar on Clean and Capable India of Gandhi"s Dream was organised by the Government in the recent past;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the issues discussed in the said Seminar;

(c) the details of the suggestions shared by various participants for the success of the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM); and

(d) the details of the progress so far made under the SBM in various States particularly in Uttar Pradesh, State/UTwise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) The Seminar was held on 12th-13th March, 2015 in New Delhi and was inaugurated by Hon'ble President of India. Besides, Hon'ble Minister of Urban Development and many Gandhian scholars were also present in the Seminar. The major issues relating to the measures required to be taken for making India clean and capable as dreamt by Gandhiji were discussed in the Seminar.

(c) The various suggestions shareed by various participants for the success of Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) are as follows :-

â€¢ Providing basic amenities like drinking water and toilet facilities at reasonable costs in all the households in the country especially in the rural areas;
â€¢ Adoption of road by citizens living alongside it for cleaning and maintenance purpose;
â€¢ Importance of sanitation and development of Swachh cities in order to transform India and reduce the population outflow to major cities;
â€¢ To make Clean India Mission into a people's movement on the lines suggested by Gandhiji;
â€¢ Adoption of self-sufficient and environment friendly lifestyle by the people;
â€¢ Involvement of people at grassroot level and young persons in clean India campaign;
â€¢ To lay stress on 5 Es-Education, Empowerment, Employment, Entrepreneurship and Environment;
â€¢ Taking pledge for making the country clean and follow the Gandhian principles of arbitration to address violence infighting and confrontation;
â€¢ Greater equity and women empowerment for making India clean and capable which Gandhiji adopted in his various programmes;
â€¢ 'Close Toilet' arrangements to be made available to all citizens;
â€¢ Younger generation to take up clean India campaign to global level through social networking sites like Facebook and Twitter;
â€¢ To lay stress on Swaraj, Swadeshi and Karma as desired by Gandhiji;
â€¢ To refrain from habit of consumerism
â€¢ Culture of equity to be developed; and
â€¢ Making villages clean as envisaged by Gandhiji.

(d) Swachh Bharat Bharat Mission (Gramin) is demand driven programme, hence State-wise targets are not set. However, State/UT-wise number of Individual household latrines (IHHLs) and Community Sanitation Complexes constructed from 2.10.2014 to 31.3.2016 under SBM(G) is at Annexure-1.

State/UT -wise, Household latrines and Community and Public Toilets constructed from 2.10.2014 to 29-2-2016 under Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban) is at Annexure-2.